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DATE: 22 November 1957.

FROM : Chief, Alien Affairs Staff

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subject: Your memorandum of 12 November 1957 re

1. Under P. L. Lill which became effective 24 December 1952, an alien becomes eligible to petition for citizenship after having resided in the United States for a period of five years provided that during all of this period they have been a person of good moral character, have been physically present in the United States for at least one-half of the five year period, have resided in the jurisdiction of the court where they petition for citizenship for at least six months and have not been a member of a subversive organization for at least ten years. The issuance of a Declaration of Intention (first papers) is no longer a requirement for petition for citizenship.

2. It is noted from your memorandum that the subject resides in Bethesda, Maryland and therefore could be naturalized in either the Rockville County Court or the U. S. District Court in Baltimore. It is suggested that prior to the subject's applying for naturalization the case again be discussed with the Alien Affairs Office so that the application can be handled in a secure manner.

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